GOWER later LEVESON-GOWER OF STITTENHAM IN SHERIFF HUTTON, YORKS
LEVESON-GOWER OF TRENTHAM, STAFFS
LEVESON-GOWER EARL GOWER

ARMS:

(1) Barry of six argent and gules a cross patonce sable [GOWER]

Quartering: Ermine a cross patonce gules [GRINDALL] (1558)

(2) Barry of eight argent and gules a cross-flory sable [GOWER]

Quartering: Azure a cross flory argent [? GOLDSBOROUGH]

CREST: A wolf passant argent collared and lined or [GOWER]

For his possible ancestry see BP (SUTHERLAND)

Sir Thomas Gower of Stittenham in Sheriff Hutton, Yorks Knight c1434-1485
b c1434 son of Thomas Gower of Stittenham in Sheriff Hutton, Yorks ....-1461
m Agnes Thwaites dau of Thomas Thwaites of Lovetofts, Yorks
d slain 22 Aug 1485 Bosworth; Adm (?York) 16 May 1486 to son Thomas; IPM 20 Mar 1487.8 [1121]
(of Sheriff Hutton); (held land in Kingston, Staffs)
(M.P., Scarborough) 1460; (Commr.) 1463-84; (Escheator, Yorks) 1464-5; (knighted by the Duke of Gloucester in Scotland) 24 Jul 1482; (J.P., Yorks ER) 1483; (Knight of the Body) 1484-5; (a Yorkist, slain at Bosworth) 22 Aug *1485
chn: Thomas Gower [1] b c1470 below
John Gower [2] b c1474; (aged 14) 1488 [IPM] below
Ann Gower m Sir Ralph Ellerker of Risby, Yorks Knight c1470-1539 [SURTEES 122:5]
Margaret Gower m James Aslakeby (of South Dalton, Yorks) [SURTEES 122:3]
Alice Gower m William Hungate of Saxton, Yorks c1470-a1548 [YORKS.PED]
Joan Gower m Robert Constable

Thomas Gower of Stittenham in Sheriff Hutton, Yorks Esquire c1470-1487
[? unm.]
d 28 Jun 1487
(pardoned) 20 Oct 1486; (succeded by his brother John)

Sir John Gower of Stittenham in Sheriff Hutton, Yorks Knight c1474-?1513
m Elizabeth Goldsborough dau of Edward Goldsborough (Baron of the Exchequer) c1449-c1494 [FOSS]
Will (?York) 1 Sep 1513/11 Mar 1513.4
(aged 14, in ward to Sir Humphrey Stanley) 1488 [IPM]; (knighted by the Earl of Surrey in Scotland) 30 Sep 1497
chn: Edward Gower [1] below
John Gower [2] (knighted)
George Gower [3]
Robert Gower [4] (of London)
Walter Gower [5]
Joan Gower [1] m Hugh Clitherow of Bradingham [? Brantingham, Yorks]
Elizabeth Gower [2] m Christopher Fenton of Creake, Yorks
Ann Gower [3]

Sir Edward Gower of Stittenham in Sheriff Hutton, Yorks Knight c1499-
m Margery Constable dau of Sir Robert Constable of Flamborough, Yorks Knight ?1478-1538 QV; m1 John St Quintin of Harpham, Yorks c1484-.... [BLG 1914]
(knighted at Windsor) c1527; (of Stittenham in Sheriff Hutton Knight) 1558 [VIS.YORKS]
chn: Thomas Gower [1] b c1524 below
Richard Gower [2] b c1526 below
Catherine Gower [1] m Walter de la Ryver (son and heir of Thomas de la Ryver of Bransby, Yorks)
Agnes Gower [2] m (as his second wife) Sir John Widdrington of Widdrington,

Northumbs Knight
Barbara Gower [3] m Sir Henry Widdrington of Widdrington, Northumbs Knight (son and heir of Sir John Widdrington of Widdrington, Northumbs Knight by his first wife) ....-c1593 [see SURTEES 122 (1912) and 146 (1932)]

Sir Thomas Gower of Stittenham in Sheriff Hutton, Yorks Knight c1524-
m1 Ann Mauleverer dau and coheir of James Mauleverer and Ann (Wycliffe dau and coheir of Ralph Wyclyffe); (but had no chn); (coheir of her grandfather Sir William Mauleverer of Arncliffe and Woderson)
m2 [? p1558] Barbara Baxter dau of John Baxter
(Marshal of Berwick); (Surveyor of Royal Estates in Northumbs); (Master of Ordnance in the North) 30 Nov 1558; (directed Seige of Leith) 1560; (living) 1577 [DNB]
chn:
[2] Thomas Gower b c1560 below

Thomas Gower of Stittenham in Sheriff Hutton, Yorks c1560-
m Mary Fairfax dau of Gabriel OR John Fairfax of Steeton, Yorks; m2 Sir Charles Kelke
chn: Thomas Gower [1] b cJul 1584; (aged 8w) Sep 1584 below
Robert Gower
Edward Gower
William Gower
Francis Gower
Elizabeth Gower m ..... Coventry
.[dau]. Gower

Sir Thomas Gower of Stittenham in Sheriff Hutton, Yorks 1st Baronet 1584-1651
b cJul 1584
m 28 May 1604 Ann Doyly dau and coheir of John Doyly of Merton, Oxon; d 28 Oct 1633; i St Clement Danes, London
d 20 Oct 1651
(aged 8w) Sep 1584; (knighted) ....; (created a Baronet) 2 Jun 1620; (Sheriff, Yorks) 1620-1 [LLHSY]; (Royalist); (fined œ730) 3 Dec 1646 [CB]
chn: Thomas Gower [1] b c1605; (aged 12) 1617 below
Ewers OR Everard Gower [2] b c1608 York; d May 1644; (matric. pens. Christ's, Cambs) Dec 1622; (B.A.) 1626-7; (M.A.) 1630; (Fellow, Jesus, Cambs) 1632-8; (B.D.) 1636; (ordained clerk etc) [VENN]
Doyly Gower [3] b c1610; m 28 Nov 1636 Carlton juxta Snaith: Mary Walker; (and had chn: Faith m Gabriel Brooke of Burton): He (Colonel of Dragoons, Royal Army)
Mary Gower m George Mountaigne of Westow, Yorks c1619-....; (and had chn: Elizabeth m 17 Sep 1668 Francis Foljambe of Aldwark in Tickhill, Yorks 1644-1707 QV)

Sir Thomas Gower of Stittenham in Sheriff Hutton, Yorks 2nd Baronet c1605-1672
m1 Elizabeth Howard dau of Sir William Howard of Naworth Castle, Cumbs Knight [BP]; (sister of Charles Howard 1st Earl of Carlisle a1629-1685 [CP]); (but had no chn)
m2 (settlement, 29 Sep 1631) Francis Leveson dau and coheir of John Leveson of Haling, Kent c1588-.... QV
i 3 Sep 1672 Sheriff Hutton; Adm (...) 31 Mar 1683
(of South Leigh, Oxon); (aged 12, matric. Wadham, Oxford) 7 Nov 1617; (adm. Gray's Inn) 1621; (knighted at Whitehall) 24 Jun 1630; (Sheriff, Yorks) 1641-2 1662-3 [LLHSY]; (in Royal Army); (captured at the surrender of Oxford) 1646; (fined as Royalist); (M.P., Malton) 18 Dec 1661-d [CB] [PARL]
chn:
[2] Thomas Gower [1] b 25 Oct 1632; i 5 Nov 1632
Frances Gower [1] b c1634; unm.; i 17 Apr 1698 Westminster Abbey; Will as of Trentham, Staffs 15 Oct 1697/26 May 1698
Ann Gower [2] b 31 Dec 1635; i 5 Jan 1636
Ann Gower [3] c 8 May 1637
Edward Gower [2] b 30 May 1641 [IGI] below
William Gower [3] b c1647; (aged 9) 1656 further below

Edward Gower (of Stittenham in Sheriff Hutton, Yorks) 1641-1662
b 30 May 1641 [IGI]

m Dorothy Wentworth dau of Sir Thomas Wentworth of Elmsall, Yorks Knight
d *before his father*; i 24 Jan 1662
chn: Thomas Gower c 2 Sep 1665 below
.[child]. Gower i 31 Jan 1666
Frances Gower b 11 Nov 1667 [IGI]; m Sir James Wood of Scotland; (but had no chn); d 1690
Dorothy Gower b 18 Feb 1668 [IGI]

Sir Thomas Gower of Stittenham in Sheriff Hutton, Yorks 3rd Baronet 1665-1689
c 2 Sep 1665
unm.
d 28 Oct 1689 Dundalk Camp, Ireland; Will (...) 28 Oct 1689/3 Nov 1692
(aged 15, matric. University, Oxford) 15 Jul 1681; (Colonel of Foot); (succeded by his uncle William) [CB]

Sir William Gower LATER Leveson-Gower of Trentham, Staffs 4th Baronet c1647-1691
b c1647 3rd son of Sir Thomas Gower of Stittenham in Sheriff Hutton, Yorks 2nd Baronet c1605-1672 QV
m c1669 Jane Granville 1st dau of John Granville 1st Earl of Bath 1628-1701 [CP]; (coheir of her grandnephew William Henry Granville 3rd Earl of Bath 1692-1710 [CP]); c 23 Aug 1653 Kilkhampton, Cornwall; 1691 hw; d 27 Feb 1696; Adm (...) 24 Mar 1696.7 and 26 Jan 1705.6 and 11 Jul 1712
d 22 Dec 1691; Will (PCC) 28 Oct 1691/28 Dec 1691 [abstract SHC 1920 127]
(as uncle and heir of Thomas G., of Stittenham in Sheriff Hutton) 1689-1691; (aged 9, educ. Pocklington GS) 1656; (on the death of Francis Fowler LATER Leveson, son of Francis Fowler LATER Leveson the testamentary heir of Sir Richard Leveson of Lilleshall and Trentham inherited those estates) 1668; (assumed the name LEVESON-GOWER) ?1668; (presented at Sheriff Hales) 1673 & 1690; (M.P., Newcastle) 21 Apr 1675-9 1679(Mar) 1679-81 1689-90 1690-d; (Commr. Assess., Staffs) 1677-80; (Deputy Lieut, Staffs) 1677-80 1689-d; (Freeman, Newcastle) 1678; (Steward, Manor of Newcastle) 10 Dec 1678-1684 [SOMERVILLE]; (J.P., Staffs) 1678-81 1689-?d; (M.P., Salop) Mar 1681; (succeded his nephew Thomas as Baronet) 1689 [CB] [PARL]
chn: Catherine Leveson-Gower [1] b 31 Jan 1670; m (by licence, 14 Jun 1687) Sir Edward Wyndham of Orchard Wyndham, Somerset ... Baronet ....-.... [..]; 1691 fw
Jane Leveson-Gower [2] b 9 Feb 1672 [IGI]; 1691 fw; m 2 May 1692 OR 2 OR 3 Mar 1692.3 Henry Hyde ... Earl of Clarendon and Rochester ....-.... [..]; d 24 May 1725
John Leveson-Gower [1] b 7 Jan 1674.5 below
Richard Leveson-Gower [2] c 11 Oct 1676 Trentham; d young
William Leveson-Gower [3] c 11 Oct 1680 Trentham; d young

John Leveson-Gower 1st Baron Gower 1675-1709
b 7 Jan 1674.5
m Sep 1692 (with œ15,000) Catherine Manners dau of John Manners 1st Duke of Rutland 1638-1711 [CP] [DNB] [PARL]; b 19 May 1675; d of apoplexy 7 Mar 1722.3 aged 47; i 15 Mar 1722.3 Trentham
d 31 Aug 1709 Belvoir Castle; i 10 Sep 1709 Trentham; Will (...) ...../Feb 1710
(of Trentham, Lilleshall and Stittenham)
(5th Baronet); (educ. private tutor Mr Linfield) 1690-1; (M.P., Newcastle) 1692-5 1695-8 1698-1700 1701 1701-2 1702-3; (Steward of Newcastle Manor) 24 Mar 1694-1698 [SOMERVILLE]; (aged c28) 1698; (as a Staffordshire Land Tax Commissioner had an annual income from land of œ100 or more) *1702; (Privy Councillor) 21 Apr 1702-20 May 1707; (Commr. union with Scotland) 1701 706; (Freeman, Preston) 1702; (Chancellor, Duchy of Lancaster) 12 May 1702-1706; (created BARON GOWER OF STITTENHAM, co. York) 16 Mar 1702.3; (dismissed from all offices) 1706 [CB] [CP] [DNB] [SIMMS];
chn: John Leveson-Gower [1] b 10 Aug 1694 below
Catherine Leveson-Gower [1] b c1695; unm.; d 20 Apr 1712 aged 17
William Leveson-Gower [2] c 27 Mar 1697 Trentham; d 13 Dec 1756; (M.P., Staffs) 1720-2 1722-7 1727-34 1734-41 1741-7 1757-54 1754-d; (had a park at Stone stocked with deer) *1735
Thomas Leveson-Gower [3] b 6 May 1699; unm.; d 12 Aug 1727 aged 28; (matric. Christ Church, Oxford) 15 Mar 1716; (M.P., Newcastle) 1722-7 [SIMMS]
Jane Leveson-Gower [2] c 10 Aug 1700 Trentham; m 5 Jan 1719.20 .....: John Proby of Elton Hall, Hunts c1698-1762 [BLG 1914] [COLLINS IX 136] [PARL]; (and had

chn: John Proby 1st Baron Carysfort [I.] 1720-1772 [..]); d in childbed 10 Jun 1726
Bridget Leveson-Gower [3] c 6 Dec 1701 St Martin-in-the-Fields, Westminster
Baptist Leveson-Gower [4] b c1704 London; d 4 Aug 1782; i St James Piccadilly; (educ. Westminster); (aged 16, adm. fell-comm. St John's, Cambs) 22 Apr 1720; (matric.) 1720; (M.P., Newcastle) 1727-34 etc; (Commissioner of Trade) [SIMMS]

John Leveson-Gower 1st Earl Gower 1694-1754
b 10 Aug 1694
d 25 Dec 1754
(2nd Baron Gower)
(educ. Westminster)
(of Trentham) *1707
(matriculated from Christ Church, Oxford) 6 Feb 1710
(presented at Kinnersley, Salop) 1717
(D.C.L., Oxford) 19 Aug 1732
(presented at Trentham, Staffs) 1732
(presented at Donington, Salop) 1738 & 1741
(presented at Sheriff Hales-cum-Woodcote) 1738
(Lord Lieut., Staffs) 1742-d
(P.C.)
(Lord Privy Seal) 1742-3 1744
(created EARL GOWER and VISCOUNT TRENTHAM of Trentham, co. Stafford) 8 Jul 1746 [CP] [DNB] [SIMMS]
chn: Granville Leveson-Gower b 4 Aug 1721 below
Mary Leveson-Gower m Richard Wrottesley of Wrottesley in Tettenhall, Staffs 7th Baronet 1721-1769 **[SLG]**

Granville Leveson-Gower 1st Marquess of Stafford 1721-1803
b 4 Aug 1721
(created MARQUESS of the county of STAFFORD) 1 Mar 1786

Richard Gower c1526-
b c1526 2nd son of Sir Edward Gower of Stittenham in Sheriff Hutton, Yorks Knight c1499-.... QV
m Agnes Levening dau and coheir of William Levening of Aclam, Yorks
chn: Edward Gower [1]
Thomas Gower [2]
John Gower [3]
Francis Gower [4]
Ralph Gower [5] b a1558

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*1664/1700 ; BP (SUTHERLAND); COLLINS II 441-53; LODGE 91906) 1539-42; SURTEES 122 133 146; VIS.OXON.1669-75; VIS.YORKS.1563-4 144-5 (6/6/04)

GOWER OF WESTON COYNEY IN CAVERSWALL, STAFFS

ARMS:

CREST:

William Gower of Colmers, Worcs c1652-1736
m Sep 1682 [? 1694] .....: Eleanor Coyney dau and heir=b of John Coyney of Weston Coyney in Caverswall, Staffs Esquire c1637-.... QV
(of Queenshill, Worcs)
(by right of his wife, of Weston Coyney in Caverswall, Staffs)
(a Catholic with a Staffordshire estate worth œ211/7/6) *1715

chn: William Gower below

William Gower of Weston Coyney in Caverswall, Staffs c1685-1725
d killed in a duel 1725

(devised Weston Coyney to his father for life with remainder to the heir male of Coyney (John Coyney son of Mark Coyney)

(6/6/04)